

**ABSTRACT**

Space usage benchmarking is provided among multiple institutions, such as academic institutions or schools. The space usage information is obtained relating to usage of space by each of plural participating institutions. The space usage information is obtained as data output from scheduling databases of the participating institutions. A space usage benchmark is formed automatically from the space usage information. The space usage benchmark is then provided to a selected participating institution with a comparison of the space usage benchmark to the space usage of that selected participating institution.